University of Florida’s Historic St. Augustine
Education Committee Meeting
January 16, 2019
Start Time: 3:35pm End Time: 4:41pm

In person: Roy Hunt, Linda Dixon, John Nemmers
By Phone: Buff Gordon, Billy Triay, Matt Armstrong, Herschel Shepard, Laura Marion, Susan Parker, Arva Parks, and Kathy Deagan.

Roy: Minutes approved, Motion by Kathy Deagan, Seconded by Buff Gordon. Approved unanimously.

Susan: Presented updated interpretive plan for Ribera Garden.

- The de la Puente map will be the centerpiece of the Ribera Garden interpretive space. Adding “you are here” tags as well as highlighting landmarks on the map such as the church would be helpful. The mission information will be taken out in favor of focusing more on the map, and Susan will replace this with text on Ribera neighbors.

- There will be two panels about the garden and plants growing in the sun vs. the shade. The information came from Lee Newsom’s report on the Ribera well excavation. Everyone agreed that the 1960’s garden should only be briefly mentioned. Susan will bring back a few changes to word order for the committee. Roy thanked Susan for her work.

Matt: Broke up packet into three sections; poor condition, poor condition recommended for disposal, and fair condition. Poor condition was defined as unable to function with its original intention without significant repair, OR had mold/insect damage that could affect other items. Photos included further illustrated these conditions.

- Poor Condition: Items that could still be transferred to other institutions for potential use. Herschel questioned whether any of the items might be usable for teaching purposes. Kathy pointed out that many of the items are not representative of items that would have been in St. Augustine in colonial period. Matt pointed out that there is a lot of redundancy in the collection and there are more items not considered for deaccession that are better examples. Anything collected as an archaeological artifact has been transferred to FMNH in Gainesville. Herschel Shepard moved for deaccession, Kathy Deagan seconded. Unanimous approval.

- Poor Condition, Disposal: Only 5 items. Extremely poor condition. Recommended for permanent disposal. We will hold onto items until we get formal approval from DHR and President Fuchs. Buff Gordon moved for approved, Herschel Shepard seconded. Unanimous approval.

- Fair Condition: Most of the items from South America and Spain. Matt removed 4 items from consideration due to potential transfer issues or change in condition. Roy asked for a
motion for approval, Kathy Deagan moved, Herschel Shepard seconded. Unanimously approved.

- **Postcard Accession:** Allen Lastinger has donated 2 binders of St. Augustine postcards to the Education Collection. There are 184 postcards in the first binder and 553 in the second. Roy asked to have them available to view at the next board meeting. Allen would like for them to be displayed for public view. Buff moved to accession the postcards, Herschel Shepard seconded. Unanimously approved.

- **WWI Marker Accession:** The American Legion is vacating the Hamblen House, and they offered Governor’s House a WWI memorial plaque. For a time it hung on the south wall of the Sala at Governor’s House. Matt recommended accessioning it into the Education Collection and hanging it in the Sala. Roy would like to send an official acknowledgement to the Legion. Herschel moved to accession the plaque. Unanimously approved.

Matt will not call another meeting, because he will be moving to Oregon shortly. Laura will be taking over deaccessioning activities and will facilitate next meeting at a time to be determined later.

Herschel Shepard moved to adjourn the meeting. Buff Gordon seconded. Meeting adjourned.